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COVID-19 PROTOCOL FOR ACCREDITATION HOLDERS

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1 – GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT

The Automobile Club de l’Ouest welcomes all accreditation holders with access to the Site of the 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans. With the Covid-19 situation still not under control, we have taken certain measures to ensure your safety during the Event.

In conjunction with the authorities and motorsport federations, the following steps have been taken to ensure that the 24 Hours of Le Mans can go ahead:

- New dates: 21-22 August
- A tightened health and safety protocol using a “bubble” approach
- Reopening to fans with capacity capped at 50,000

While a certain number of restrictions have been lifted in France since June, **the situation remains extremely unstable** and, with the number of cases of the Delta variant on the rise, we need to be particularly **vigilant**.

The success of this Event is dependent on this Protocol being followed and your sense of **moral duty** and **responsibility**. We count on your support to comply with all of these measures and to **not come to the site if you are experiencing any symptoms**.

Important: The French authorities recommend the **vaccine**: this will make it easier for many non-French citizens to enter France and facilitate access to a number of venues and gatherings in France.

2 – GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE COVID-19 PROTOCOL FOR THE 2021 24 HOURS OF LE MANS (THE EVENT)

This 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol (hereafter referred to as “the Protocol”), drawn up by the Automobile Club de l’Ouest (hereafter referred to as “the Organiser” or “the ACO”) defines all terms, rules, obligations and other provisions related to health and safety at the 24 Hours of Le Mans and all events associated with the race, including support races, as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Protocol is applicable to all participants and anyone involved in the 24 Hours of Le Mans or support races.

This Protocol may be updated, if necessary, by the ACO Covid-19 officers. In case of modification, an amended version of the Protocol will be published with immediate effect. All accredited participants undertake to be aware of and to comply with the Site rules applicable inside the racetrack. This Protocol and any updates that may be published form an integral part of those rules.

The reference documents for this Protocol are:

- The laws and decrees published by the French Government
- The Health and Safety Plan established by the ACO
- The protocols defined by parent and international sporting federations
- The recommendations issued by the Chief Medical Officer of the ACO

In this context, the Covid-19 Code of Conduct in Appendix S of the FIA International Sporting Code applicable to the Event is one of the references used to establish this Protocol.

3 – DUTIES, OBLIGATIONS, SANCTIONS

Under the Site rules for Le Mans Circuits, by collecting their accreditation and entering the Site, accreditation holders confirm that they are aware of the 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol in place.

Site rules for Le Mans Circuits (in French only):

<https://assets.lemans.org/explorer/pdf/entreprises/reglements-interieur/reglement-interieur-des-circuits-du-mans.pdf>

It is the responsibility of each Team Manager and/or each organisation representative to ensure that all members/employees of their organisation:

- Are familiar with this Protocol before entering the site
- Comply with the Protocol during the event

Each person and organisation, by accepting this Protocol, undertakes to ensure that:

- All measures, rules and restrictions are respected
- Anyone within the grounds of the 24 Hours of Le Mans Circuit (hereafter referred to as the Circuit or the Site) is authorised to attend the event under the present Protocol and Appendix S of the FIA International Sporting Code
- Anyone with symptoms or who has had a positive Covid-19 test result in the 10 days prior to the planned date of entering the Site will not be allowed entry to the Circuit or any of the facilities unless they have specific medical documentation that has been approved by the ACO medical teams.
- Anyone who develops symptoms while they are on Site must go immediately to one of the Covid-19 reception areas or call +33 (0)243 40 2019 and follow the instructions given by a member of the medical team or the Organiser. Failure to follow these instructions may result in immediate and definitive expulsion from the Site. This email address can be used for medical guidance at any time: medical.covid@lemans.org.

Sanctions

Any breach of this Protocol may result in:

- The person(s) being removed from the Site for the duration of the 24 Hours of Le Mans (and their accreditation revoked)
- A report to the sporting body
- Prosecution

This 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol and any claim or issue arising therefrom or relating to the Protocol will be exclusively governed by French law and interpreted in accordance with same, without taking into account the principles of conflict of laws which may require the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.



4 – PRACTICAL GUIDE

Information for visitors attending the 24 Hours of Le Mans between 10-23 August

A - If travelling from outside France: check the restrictions and procedures in section 5.1 of this Protocol. Failure to follow these guidelines may result in you being refused entry into France.

B - How to collect your admission documents:

First, pick up your accreditation from the Accreditation Centre at the MMArena Stadium. Accreditations can be picked up individually or for a group (e.g. all the staff of a car entered in the race) depending on the arrangements made beforehand.

Make sure you have a valid QR code to gain access to the Circuit (see 6.3).

Show your valid QR code at test Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint for Accreditation Holders & VIPS (CSO) (see enclosed plan) to be given:

- A JT Admission Sticker from 12 to 17 August
- A 24H Admission Sticker from 16 to 22 August. For zone 5 and 6 accreditation with access to the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock, a saliva PCR test will be performed before collecting the sticker. You will be invited to book a time slot for this.

C - Additional Information:

Accreditation holders with access the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock are required to have a valid accreditation and a Health Pass (as well as a saliva PCR test from 16 to 22 August), including those aged under 18. For all other accreditation holders, a Health Pass is only required for people over 18.

Children under 16 accompanied by an adult will be given free admission to the Site, with the exception of the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock.

Holders of “24H” paddock accreditation will be allowed access to the support race paddock. Holders of support race accreditation will not be allowed access to the “24H” paddock.

Circuit access is not the same for the general public and accreditation holders. Please follow the Organiser’s instructions.

5 – BEFORE COMING TO THE CIRCUIT

5.1 - Specific Measures Applicable to Persons Travelling from Foreign Countries

Please click on the links below to see the restrictions and measures applicable to persons travelling from foreign countries:

Version française : <https://www.interieur.gouv.fr/fr/Actualites/L-actu-du-Ministere/Attestation-de-deplacement-et-de-voyage>

English version: <https://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Actualites/L-actu-du-Ministere/Certificate-of-international-travel>

Very important: Failure to follow these instructions may result in you being refused entry into France.

Travellers coming from amber or red list countries (click link above for the current list) are required to provide specific paperwork:

Everybody must register on the list of foreign travellers using the link below:

[Form to be filled in](#)

As per the information issued to teams on 9 July 2021, the list of people who registered before the 20 July cut-off date has been forwarded to the authorities. Upon confirmation that the list has been processed, a Certificate of International Travel and an up-to-date invitation letter will be sent to each person registered. These documents must be presented at the French border. The persons concerned will be registered on special lists made available to border control officers. Travellers arriving from a country on the amber or red list who are unable to produce these documents may not be allowed to enter France.

We cannot guarantee that visitors who registered after 20 July will receive these documents or be included on the border control lists.

People required to self-isolate may do so within their bubble for the Event, i.e.:

- They will be allowed on Site
- They must follow the guidelines set out in the Protocol
- They may not circulate anywhere outside the Circuit or frequent any public places other than those necessary to access their accommodation

5.2 - Recommendations applicable on the way to and prior to arrival at the Circuit:

Please be advised that the Covid-19 virus is circulating in France and that certain people are more at risk of developing a serious form of Covid-19.

Please read this protocol thoroughly before travelling to Le Mans or before first entering the Circuit.

While travelling, individuals must:

- Travel preferably in sub-groups or groups of individuals from the same organisation
- Respect health and safety guidelines and distancing measures while travelling
- Avoid public areas
- Avoid areas other than transport and lodgings
- Have as little physical interaction as possible

6 – CONDITIONS FOR ACCESSING THE SITE

The access protocols for accreditation holders and spectators are very different. Please follow the procedures for accreditation holders.

Very important: accreditation alone only gives access to the Site until 06:00 on Thursday 12 August.

After 06:00 on Thursday 12 August, accreditations must have an Admission Sticker on them (a JT or 24H sticker – see instructions below).

You must make arrangements to pick up your Admission Sticker in order to access the Site after Wednesday 11 August.

6.1 - Access Periods and “JT” and “24H” Admission Stickers

Accreditations will be required to have an adhesive sticker on them to allow Site access for a specific period. These Admission Stickers must be collected individually from the Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders & VIPs at the MMArena (see enclosed plan – follow the directions):

Period 1: “JT” Sticker (“Test Day” Week)

Required at the entrance to the Circuit from 06:00 on Thursday 12 August to midnight on Tuesday 17 August.

Period 2: “24H” Sticker (Race Week)

Required at the entrance to the Circuit from 06:00 on Monday 16 August to midnight on Sunday 22 August.

Accreditation holders who do not have an Admission Sticker will be refused entry to the Site.

6.2 - Collecting “JT” or “24H” Stickers

“JT” and “24H” Admission Stickers can be collected from the Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders & VIPs at the MMArena (see enclosed plan – follow the directions).

Opening times

- Wednesday 11 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Thursday 12 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Friday 13 August: 08:00 – 18:45
- Saturday 14 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Sunday 15 August: 06:00 – 23:00
- Monday 16 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Tuesday 17 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Wednesday 18 August: 06:00 – 23:45
- Thursday 19 August: 06:00 – 23:45
- Friday 20 August: 06:00 – 22:45
- Saturday 21 August: 06:00 – 00:00
- Sunday 22 August: 00:00 – 19:00

6.2.1 Accreditations with access to the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock (Accreditations for zones 5 and 6):

6.2.1.1 *The admission criteria for the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock are established by national regulations and Appendix S of the FIA international sporting code. Entrants are required to:*

- a) Present evidence of a completed vaccination schedule:
 - 2 weeks after the second injection for two-shot vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca)
 - 4 weeks after the injection for single-shot vaccines (Johnson & Johnson/Janssen)
 - 2 weeks after a single vaccine injection for people who have already had Covid.And/or
- b) Present proof of a negative PCR test taken within the last 48 hours
And/or
- c) Present proof of a positive PCR test indicating recovery from COVID-19, dated more than 4 weeks and less than 6 months ago

No age-related exceptions will be made for access to the paddock.

6.2.1.2 *Terms and conditions for collecting a "JT" Admission Sticker*

Accreditation holders must present proof of eligibility, as per the criteria outlined in 6.2.1.1.

These documents will be checked by means of a valid QR code or a French or European Health Pass (see the Health Pass - QR Code section).

6.2.1.3 Terms and conditions for collecting a “24H” Admission Sticker

To obtain a “24H” Admission Sticker, accreditation holders with paddock access are required to take a saliva PCR test at the sticker collection venue (Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders & VIPs at the MMArena (see section 6.4 Test Centre). Accreditation holders who are able to present a valid QR code immediately after the PCR test (i.e. without waiting for the results of the saliva PCR test), will be given the “24H” sticker straight after the test.

To make the saliva PCR testing and “24H” sticker collection process as efficient as possible, teams are kindly asked to respect the time slots allocated to them by the Organiser. Extended opening times have been arranged for peak times on two days:

- Sunday 15 August: 19:30 – 23:00
- Monday 16 August: 08:00 – 15:00

Accreditation holders must present proof of eligibility, as per the criteria outlined in 6.2.1.1.

These documents will be checked by means of a valid QR code or a French or European Health Pass (see the Health Pass - QR Code section 6.3).

6.2.2 All other accreditations (not including the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock)

6.2.2.1 Admission criteria

The Site admission criteria (not including the 24 Hours of Le Mans paddock) are established by national regulations and only apply to visitors aged over 18. Entrants are required to:

- a) Present evidence of a completed vaccination schedule:
 - 7 days after the second injection for two-shot vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca)
 - 4 weeks after the injection for single-shot vaccines (Johnson & Johnson/Janssen)
 - 7 days after a single vaccine injection for people who have already had Covid.And/or
- b) Present proof of a negative PCR or antigen test taken within the last 48 hours
And/or
- c) Present proof of a positive PCR test indicating recovery from COVID-19, dated more than 11 days and less than 6 months ago

6.2.2.2 Collecting a “JT” Admission Sticker

Accreditation holders must present proof of eligibility, as per the criteria outlined in 6.2.2.1.

These documents will be checked by means of a valid QR code or a French or European Health Pass (see the Health Pass - QR Code section).

6.2.2.3 Collecting a "24H" Admission Sticker

Accreditation holders must present proof of eligibility, as per the criteria outlined in 6.2.2.1.

These documents will be checked by means of a valid QR code or a French or European Health Pass (see the Health Pass - QR Code section).

6.3 - QR Code/Health Pass

"JT" and "24H" Admission Stickers cannot be issued until proof of your health situation has been checked. This can only be done by scanning a valid QR Code (French or European Health Pass).

See the enclosed Health Pass/QR Code guidelines.

6.3.1 Residents of France

To simplify the admission procedure and ensure effective tracking, we strongly recommend that you download the **TousAntiCovid** app.

<https://apps.apple.com/fr/app/tousanticovid/id1511279125>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=fr.gouv.android.stopcovid&hl=fr&gl=US>

You can check that your code is valid by using the checking tools (see 6.3.4).



6.3.2 Residents of EU Countries (other than France)

Most EU member states issue valid QR Codes. You can check that your code is valid by using the checking tools (see 6.3.4).

6.3.3 Residents of non-EU countries

To obtain a valid QR Code, you must have a test done in France (the Circuit test centre is available) before entering the Circuit. The test must be done no more than 48 hours before presenting your QR Code.

To simplify the admission procedure and ensure effective tracking, we strongly recommend that you download the **TousAntiCovid** app.

<https://apps.apple.com/fr/app/tousanticovid/id1511279125>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=fr.gouv.android.stopcovid&hl=fr&gl=US>

You can check that your code is valid by using the checking tools (see 6.3.4).



6.3.4 Checking your QR Code is valid

You can check QR Codes using the TousAntiCovid-Verif app (links below):

<https://apps.apple.com/fr/app/tousanticovid-verif/id1562303493>

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ingroupe.verify.anticovid&hl=en_US&gl=US

Scan your QR Code with this app before going to the Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders and VIPs to check that it is valid.



6.4 - Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders and VIPs

A saliva PCR Test centre is open to all accreditation holders.

Location: Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders – MMArena (see enclosed plan – follow the directions).

The test must be booked using this link: [LE MANS “24H” PCR TEST BOOKING](#)

For groups of more than 10, you can make an appointment outside the individual booking slots (please email elodie.ouvard@biogroup.fr & doriane.guyard@biogroup.fr).

Note: a test fee now applies for foreign citizens who do not have a French social security number (*Carte Vitale*)

Standard saliva PCR test (for information, cost approx. €49)

For samples taken before 13:00, result before 20:00 the same day (where possible)

For samples taken before 20:00, result before 08:00 the next day (where possible)

Rapid PCR test (for information, cost approx. €99 – result within 30 minutes)

Opening times of the Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders:

- Tuesday 10 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Wednesday 11 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Thursday 12 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Friday 13 August: 08:00 – 18:45
- Saturday 14 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Sunday 15 August: 06:00 – 23:00
- Monday 16 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Tuesday 17 August: 08:00 – 19:45
- Wednesday 18 August: 06:00 – 23:45
- Thursday 19 August: 06:00 – 23:45
- Friday 20 August: 06:00 – 22:45
- Saturday 21 August: 06:00 – 00:00
- Sunday 22 August: 00:00 – 19:00
- Monday 23 August: 08:00 – 12:00

7 – MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS

ACO medical and organisational staff, under the authority of the ACO Chief Medical Officer, are permitted to take all necessary measures under the Protocol, especially where a person shows symptoms or is confirmed as being infected with Covid-19.

Anyone showing such symptoms or who has been in contact with an infected person must immediately go to one of the dedicated Covid-19 reception areas and follow the instructions posted there and/or given by the medical staff, or call +33 (0)243 40 2019.

There are two Covid-19 reception areas:

For “paddock” accreditation holders: Track Medical Centre, next to the entrance to the Module Sportif (cf. enclosed plan).

For other accreditation holders: Spectators Medical Centre (cf. enclosed plan)

First-aid stations within spectator areas are authorised to take care of people potentially infected by the virus (they will then be transferred to the Covid-19 reception area).

When a person comes to the Covid-19 reception area at the Circuit, the procedure is as follows:

- After admittance and health safety has been ensured, the individual will be taken to the nearest test centre.
- After a PCR test, the person is quarantined on Site while awaiting the results (specific procedure with a quick result). In the event of refusal to undergo an immediate PCR test, as requested by the Organisation and medical staff, the person will be immediately and irrevocably removed from the Site.

Anyone who has tested positive for Covid-19

- in the 10 days before first entering the Circuit
- or during the Event

must inform the ACO Chief Medical Officer and follow instructions given by the relevant medical authorities.

Contact: medical.covid@lemans.org

8 – SITE RULES

8.1- During the entire Event, all accredited persons must:

- Return directly to their lodgings on exiting the Circuit, avoiding public transport where possible (use private transport or travel in the same small groups throughout the Event + wear a face mask while travelling)
- Avoid bars, restaurants and other public spaces
- At the Circuit, consume food and drink in the hospitality facility provided for the Group
- Outside the Circuit, restrict contact to members of one's own Sub-Group only
- In general, except for purposes related to the smooth running of the Event, restrict contact to members of one's own Sub-Group at the Site and elsewhere (hotel, etc.)

8.2 – Moving around the Site

Follow the one-way system set up by the ACO to access the Site and the paddock. Transfer from the parking areas to the paddock will also be regulated. All persons arriving on Site shall go directly to their allocated space from the parking area.

A system will be set up to regulate pedestrian traffic and encourage physical distancing. Special indications and markings will be used (arrows, lines, notices, etc.). The markings indicating the direction of pedestrian traffic flow must be followed.

Any allocated times given for any purpose must also be complied with. Where possible, and if necessary, quieter time slots may be scheduled for vulnerable people.

8.3 – Concept of Groups and Sub-Groups, Assigned Spaces and Work Areas

People are asked not to leave their assigned spaces unless absolutely necessary or when transferring to other specific areas (e.g. hospitality), parking areas or temporary workspaces (e.g. starting grid, tyre transfer, etc.).

Each person must remain in their work area. People may only move to another space within the scope of their duties or when absolutely necessary, at the discretion of the ACO COVID-19 Officers and the ACO's Organisation.

People will be assigned to Groups and allocated a specific space. For example:

- Team members = Garage and paddock area
- Officials = Dedicated office and race control
- Tyre manufacturers = tyre technical area
- Etc.

Within each Group, each Organisation must create Sub-Groups to limit the number of people impacted in the event of a suspected or confirmed positive case, thus safeguarding that Organisation. These Sub-Groups must be formed on the basis of small groups of people sharing the same workspace (e.g. mechanics for one car). As far as possible, Sub-Groups must limit their trips outside the Circuit and take their meals together without contact with other Sub-Groups.

A representative of each Team and/or Organisation will be responsible for setting up and overseeing each Group and Sub-Group and its procedures.

8.4 – Communication between Individuals

Video conferencing, telephone calls and any other means of remote communication should be given maximum priority. Physical meetings should only be scheduled when a remote solution is not feasible. No visits will be permitted between pit garages, between hospitality areas or between any other space accommodating people from outside one's own organisation. Everyone shall remain with their own assigned space. Meeting spaces will be set up. Several rooms in the *Module Sportif*, the *Welcome* building and the pit building will be provided for meetings between people from different groups. The following measures will apply:

- Reservation compulsory
- Number of attendees limited
- Room layout designed to enforce physical distancing rules
- Wearing of masks
- Rooms disinfected and aired between meetings

For individuals whose duties will inevitably require them to be in various areas and workspaces occupied by other groups (e.g. technical supplier to several cars), each visit must be organised by appointment only.

It is mandatory to make an appointment at a set time with the person in question.

The Organisation hosting the individual must take the necessary health and safety measures:

- Meeting to be held outside wherever possible
- Limited number of people present
- A distance of at least one metre between individuals (all of whom must wear masks)
- Meetings to be kept short
- Space to be disinfected

9 – CATERING

National rules applicable to catering and events shall be in force across all catering structures and applicable to all accreditation holders present on Site (in French only):

https://www.economie.gouv.fr/files/files/directions_services/covid19-soutien-entreprises/Protocole-sanitaire-renforce-secteur--HCR.pdf

https://www.economie.gouv.fr/files/files/directions_services/covid19-soutien-entreprises/Protocole_sanitaire_renforce_traiteurs_evenementiel.pdf

The following measures are mandatory throughout the Event:

- Seated dining is possible indoors and outdoors without special capacity restrictions (capacity = number authorised for the establishment by safety regulations)
- Standing dining is only permitted outdoors or under a marquee without side panels
- No serving dishes, platters or plates designed for sharing of food are permitted
- A mask must be worn while moving about the dining area, and only removed while seated at a table
- Low partition screens between tables are strongly recommended
- Buffet service prohibited (service by catering staff only)
- Hand sanitiser to be made available at several points
- Hand washing and other safety precautions to be strictly implemented
- Cleaning and disinfecting of each place after use
- Floor plans for dining areas shall be designed to restrict queuing and to keep people moving in the same direction (flow management and floor markings)

10 – ACCOMMODATION

Temporary accommodation at the Circuit may only be occupied by one person or by persons from the same Sub-Group.

11 – EQUIPMENT AND ARRANGEMENTS

All accreditation holders outside of ACO shall procure the necessary consumables and equipment and each team/organisation shall plan what is required, and in particular:

- Procure enough masks for the duration of the Event
- Procure enough hand sanitiser for the duration of the Event (must be made available in all spaces to allow hands to be disinfected at all times)
- Clean and disinfect private spaces
- Arrange spaces to comply with distancing rules

12 – SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS

Additional detailed health measures will be communicated via team information procedures and during briefing sessions for all competitions.

12.1 – Communication between Teams and Officials

- Priority shall be given to videoconferencing
- A space is set up near Race Control for meetings with drivers and team managers
- A meeting room is provided if required, at the request of officials only
- Entering the officials' workspaces and offices without prior authorisation is strictly prohibited

12.2 – Briefing Meeting

- Only briefing meetings for Team Managers are scheduled at the 24 Hours of Le Mans
- Drivers will be briefed by video
- Drivers will need to confirm that they have been briefed

12.3 – Scrutineering

- The administrative and technical checks are to be conducted remotely as much as possible
- Where necessary, drivers will be asked to go to a special area complying with health and safety guidelines to sign documents, etc.

12.4 – Grid

- A limited number of people will be allowed on the grid
- Traffic flows will be separated between the competitors and the Grid Walk
- Details of the start procedure will be given during the Team Managers briefing meeting
- These arrangements will form part of the 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol

12.5 – Pits and Pitlane

The 24 Hours of Le Mans Supplementary Regulations apply to all competitors. For all others:

- Face masks must be worn
- Full fireproof gear must be worn within 2 metres of the racing cars

12.6 – Finish and Podium Ceremony

- The protocol for the podium ceremony includes provisions allowing health and safety and physical distancing guidelines to be observed
- Details of the finish and podium procedure will be given during the Team Managers briefing meeting
- These arrangements will form part of the 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol

12.7 – Marshals and Track Crews

- Marshals must wear a mask at all times, except during fire interventions
- Specific guidelines will be communicated to marshals during the briefing session for chief marshals
- These arrangements will form part of the 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol

12.8 – Set-up and Dismantling Protocol

The permanent health protocols implemented at the Circuit des 24 Heures du Mans shall apply at all times during set-up and dismantling phases taking place outside the period of the Event.

Covid-19 officers will ensure compliance with health and safety guidelines, particularly:

- Wearing of masks
- Applicable health and safety guidelines
- Applicable physical distancing rules

Important reminder: anyone showing symptoms as indicated in this Protocol, or who has been informed of a positive PCR or antigen test or self-test result, will not be allowed to enter the Circuit enclosure, even for set-up and dismantling work outside the Event period.

In the event of failure to comply with the health requirements, sanctions may be applied.

12.9 – Support Races

All competitors and members of the organisation of support races shall abide by the guidelines in this Protocol. In line with the Site rules, all persons shall strictly abide by the principle of Groups and Sub-Groups, Assigned Spaces and Work Areas and only enter other areas of the Circuit for reasons related to the Event schedule (e.g. pitlane access for practice sessions) or if absolutely necessary (e.g. if summoned to a meeting with the officials).

Holders of “24H” paddock accreditation will be allowed access to the support race paddock. Holders of support race accreditation will not be allowed access to the “24H” paddock.

12.10 – Media

- Official interviews will preferably be conducted by digital means. A room (mixed zone) can be booked on line for one-to-one interviews. Masks shall be worn during the interview (or a distance of at least 2 m maintained with the interviewee) and the room shall be aired.
- Official press conferences (Hyperpole, ACO and winners) will be broadcast in the Media Centre.
- Only a limited number of accreditations will be available.
- Media representatives will only have a limited number of paddock passes and will not be allowed to enter the competitors' garages or private spaces.
- Photographers working from the Media Centre will not have access to the paddock. Some will be allocated pitlane access.
- Journalists will only have access to the second floor of the pit building and to the mixed zone for interviews and other meetings with members of the paddock bubble.
- The second floor, the Media Centre and the mixed zone shall only be accessed via stairway P6C (Module Sportif parking area).
- Masks must be worn across the entire Site.

Media Centre:

- Go to Media Centre reception when entering for the first time
- Masks must be worn
- Access limited according to room capacity
- Two distinct bubbles for journalists and photographers

12.11 – Rules and Guidelines Applicable to TV Crews During the 24 Hours of Le Mans

TV crews shall abide by the same health and safety protocol as the teams. They form specific groups who are part of the same “bubble”. This will allow them to work while protecting themselves and the competitors.

Each production entity may designate a team leader to collect accreditations. This person may collect all the accreditations for their group (the sworn declarations required by the 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol must have been sent with the accreditation applications).

Authorised work areas

- TV Compound
- Pitlane (while respecting the standard safety rules and the health protocol, particularly in terms of physical distancing)
- Paddock*
- Garages*
- Service roads (track)

* One-to-one interviews with competitors and team managers must be scheduled so as to limit the number of people in the same space at any given time. These meetings are to be planned by mutual agreement directly between broadcasters and teams.

Filming may take place in the paddock or garages. These spaces are considered private areas and are therefore managed by the teams' PR people, observing the health and safety guidelines applied across the Circuit.

It is also possible to receive guests in the TV studios located in the TV Compound where physical distancing rules must be observed.

Distancing rules for interviews

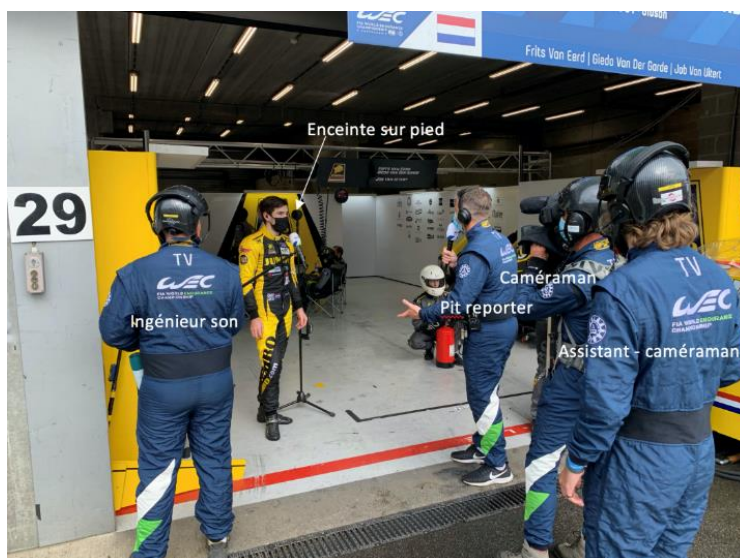
Number of TV crew members for live interviews from the pit lane (4):

- Pit reporter
- Cameraman
- Assistant cameraman
- Boom operator

A distance of two metres must be kept between the entire TV crew and the interviewee. All must wear a mask, even during the interview.

TV crews must remember that they cannot move closer to the interviewee to help them hear the questions. It is prohibited to equip interviewees with a lapel microphone or ear bud.

It will therefore be necessary to use a pole and amplify the sound of the reporter's questions (see photo). It is strongly recommended to use two microphones, one for the reporter and another on a pole for the interviewee.



Whenever possible, it is asked that the TV crew stay outside the garage to avoid overcrowding. If this rule cannot be respected (rain, noise, etc.), the assistant cameraman is asked to not enter the garage in order to keep the team to three people.

Number of people per TV crew for feature interview (2 or 3):

- Cameraman
- Journalist
- Sound engineer (optional)

The microphone must be disinfected after each interview and must not be touched by competitors or team members.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in immediate removal from the Site.

The document relative to suspected cases of Covid-19 during the Event must also be read so that the filming arrangements of the various TV crews can be reorganised if necessary.

13 - GENERAL HEALTH INFORMATION, MEASURES AND RULES

13.1 – Distancing

Physical distancing guidelines must be respected.

Compliance with physical distancing signage is mandatory, including:

- Direction of pedestrian traffic
- Use of elevators (one person only)
- Maximum capacity of rooms, as indicated in the rooms

Everyone is asked:

- To keep whenever possible a distance of at least one metre between all individuals (all of whom should be wearing masks) within areas allocated to the Group.
- To keep a distance of at least one metre between individuals (all of whom should be wearing masks) in all other areas.

13.2 – Hygiene Guidelines

- Hands must be washed regularly.
- Use soap and water or hand sanitiser.
- Hands must be washed or disinfected when leaving one's work area or on entering an area occupied by people from outside one's Organisation.
- Hands must be washed before and after using the toilets.
- Only toilet facilities subject to regular cleaning and disinfection will be open. It is strictly forbidden to use facilities other than the active restroom facilities.
- Surfaces must be regularly cleaned/disinfected.
- Rooms should be aired frequently.

13.3 – Face masks

Face masks must be worn indoors and outdoors within the Circuit throughout the Event (including set-up and dismantling). Only masks approved by the French authorities will be accepted on Site.

Guidelines:

<https://www.gouvernement.fr/info-coronavirus/>

<https://www.afnor.org/faq-masques-barrieres/>

Usage guidelines (surgical mask)

- Before touching your mask, clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitiser or wash them with soap and water.
- Make sure your mask is in good condition (no tears or holes, etc.).
- Turn it so that the metal strip is at the top.
- Make sure the coloured side is on the outside.
- Place the mask over your face. Pinch the metal strip or the rigid edge of the mask over your nose.
- Pull down the bottom of the mask to cover your mouth and chin.
- Do not touch the mask while wearing it.
- After use, clean your hands before removing the mask. Holding the mask by the elastic loops, remove it while keeping it away from your face and clothes to avoid touching the potentially contaminated parts of the mask.
- Dispose of the mask in a closed bin immediately after use. Do not reuse the mask.
- Clean your hands after touching or disposing of the mask. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser or, if it is visibly dirty, wash your hands with soap and water.

N.B. Similar precautions apply to fabric masks. In addition, the mask must be washed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations after use.

13.4 – Symptoms

Source: WHO

Most common symptoms:

- Fever
- Dry cough
- Tiredness

Less common symptoms:

- Aches and pains
- Sore throat
- Diarrhoea
- Conjunctivitis
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Skin rash, or discolouration of fingers or toes

Serious symptoms:

- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- Chest pain or pressure
- Loss of speech or movement

13.5 – People at Risk

Source: WHO

- People aged 65 and over
- Patients with a history of cardiovascular issues
- Patients with poorly controlled insulin-dependent diabetes or presenting secondary complications of their disease
- Patients with a chronic respiratory disorder likely to decompensate if they catch a viral infection
- Dialysis patients with chronic renal failure
- Cancer patients undergoing treatment
- People with congenital or acquired immunodeficiency
- Patients with Child-Pugh class B (or higher) cirrhosis
- Morbidly obese people (body mass index > 30 kg/m²)
- People with major sickle cell syndrome or with a history of splenectomy

- Women over 6 months pregnant
- People with motor neurone disease, myasthenia gravis, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, cerebral palsy, quadriplegia or hemiplegia, a brain tumour, a progressive brain disease or other rare disease

13.6 – Definitions

Population = Families or Organisations.

For example: Teams taking part in the 24 Hours of Le Mans/Officials/TV Crews/ACO Organisation/Support Race Teams and Promoters/Caterers

Organisation = Legal entity on Site during the Event.

Group = A Group, defined as such within an Organisation by the legal representative of that Organisation, of persons who are required to work together regularly as part of their on-site role.

Sub-Group = Entity within a Group, composed of a number or persons defined by the Organisation's legal representative.

14 – ACO Covid-19 Officers

The definition and supervision of proper implementation of the Covid-19 Protocol is entrusted to:

- Dr Isabelle Villeret, ACO Chief Medical Officer
- Dr Fabien Rocatcher, Assistant ACO Chief Medical Officer
- Vincent Beaumesnil, ACO Sporting Director, responsible for the 2021 24 Hours of Le Mans Covid-19 Protocol

ACO Health & Safety Plan Covid-19 Officers are 100% dedicated to compliance with this Protocol. Their role is to advise, monitor and report violations if necessary. They are supervised by:

- Pascal Dimitri
- Pierrick Navarre
- Mathieu Navarre
- Louis Langlois
- Tony Chevallier
- Benjamin Guyard

They will ensure that the Protocol is implemented and observed by everyone.

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ANNEX 1 – Site Plan

Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders (Admission Sticker collection and PCR test centre)

Covid-19 reception area



ANNEX 2 – Detailed Site Plan

Accreditation Centre

Covid-19 Test Centre & Health Pass Checkpoint (CSO) for Accreditation Holders (Admission Sticker collection and PCR test centre)



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ANNEX 3 – Health Pass and QR Code Guidelines

You must fall into at least one of the following categories (see 6.2.2.1 also):

- a) Present evidence of a completed vaccination schedule:
 - 7 days after the second injection for two-shot vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca)
 - 4 weeks after the injection for single-shot vaccines (Johnson & Johnson/Janssen)
 - 7 days after a single vaccine injection for people who have already had Covid.
 And/or
- b) Present proof of a negative PCR or antigen test taken within the last 48 hours
And/or
- c) Present proof of a positive PCR test indicating recovery from Covid-19, dated more than 11 days and less than 6 months ago

A – If you are a resident of France, a QR Code is provided. When you are vaccinated or tested, make sure that the practitioner generates a QR Code. Codes are available via the SI-DEP portal allocating the codes or via the practitioner or by SMS sent to the person concerned when the test result is confirmed. Download the TousAntiCovid app to manage your QR Codes.




Mention
« TERMINÉ »
Preuve valable



Mention
« EN COURS »
Preuve non valable



Il est vivement conseillé de présenter ce code au format numérique en le téléchargeant dans l'onglet carnet de l'application TousAntiCovid.

B – If you are an EU resident and fully vaccinated or have been tested within the last 48 hours, the QR Code generated in your country of residence is valid in most cases. Make sure your code is valid before coming to the Circuit.

C – If you are a non-EU resident, you must be tested in France (the Circuit test centre is the quickest and easiest solution). You can then follow the instructions given for residents of France.

Important: To make sure your QR Code is valid, download the “TousAntiCovid Vérif” app. This app will scan your QR Code and indicate whether it will be accepted (the 24 Hours of Le Mans Organisation uses this app).

It is preferable to use a digital version of the QR Code (on a smartphone screen). Switch your QR Code to display mode when scanning.

A QR Code cannot be read on a cracked screen.

If using a printed version, do not fold across the QR Code.



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